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STEERABLE GUIDE CATHETER WITH PRE-SHAPED ROTATABLE

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 18, 2008.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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09/30/2008

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2008, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, the Applicant submits the present response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15, 24-31, 33-38, 40-42, 44, 45, 50 and 51 remain pending in the application. No claims have been amended, added, or canceled. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 10 of this paper.